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SUBJ: ICRC APPEAL FOR LEBANON

1. ICRC HAS ISSUED APPEAL FOR ASSISTANCE IN LEBANON.

UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION FROM FRENCH FOLLOWS: QUOTE.

A. THE PRIMARY TASK ENVISIONED BY THE ICRC IN LEBANON IS TO IMPROVE THE HUMANITARIAN PROBLEMS WHICH EXIST AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE CONFLICT BUILT UP DURING THE PAST FEW WEEKS. BECAUSE OF THIS BUILD UP, ICRC SEES ITS RESPONSIBILITIES GREATLY INCREASED.

B. THE AGENCY HAS DETERMINED THAT TWO CATEGORIES OF VICTIMS NEED IMMEDIATE HELP: 1) THE WOUNDED IN HOSPITALS WHOM ICRC CAN SUPPLY WITH MEDICAL AID AND 2) THE APPROXIMATELY 150,000 DISPLACED PERSONS IN NEED OF HELP. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT MEDICAL HELP, FOOD, ETC., FOR THESE TWO CATEGORIES OF VICTIMS WILL COST 21 MILLION SWISS FRANCS.

C. ICRC IS SENDING OUT THIS URGENT APPEAL TO GOVERNMENTS, NATIONAL SOCIETIES AND REF CROSS AND CRESCENT SOCIETIES TO HELP LEBANESE VICTIMS. FUNDS CAN BE PLACED IN A NUMBERED ACCOUNT AT THE SOCIETE DES BANQUES SUISSE, GENEVA. ACCOUNT NUMBER 129.986 FOR SWISS FRANCS AND UNCLASSIFIED

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